

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Board

Minutes February 13, 2023

The Wichita Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Board met in regular session.

*Indicates online

Board Members present: Alan Kailer, Marcia Schroeder, Jane Byrnes, Russell Fox, Kelly Wenz, Monte Shaw*, and Garett Foster*

City Staff: Gary Janzen, James Wagner, and Sarah Pineda

Guests: Brett Letkowski, Clayton Pearson, Vince Hancock, Jack Brown*

Call to order: by Alan Kailer, Chair, at 5:30 pm

1. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

December and January minutes approved. Russell Fox moved, Alan Kailer seconded, motion carried.

2. Public Comments

None

3. Discussion Items

Prairie Travelers Path. Brett Letkowski. Transystems

Brett showed the revised plans for the path at Edwards. Instead of crossing to the west side of Edwards, the path will stay on the east side. This eliminates the need for a retaining wall and will save about \$400,000. Russell Fox moved to approve the revised plan. Jane Byrnes seconded. All approved.

Improvements to Commerce and St. Francis, Waterman to Kellogg. Brett Letkowski

These improvements are meant to make traffic flow in this area more efficient and make better use of the available space. Both streets will remain 2-way. St. Francis will have angled parking on the west side. Plans are to improve drainage and lighting on both

streets and provide for pedestrian access between the streets will still protecting loading access for businesses in the area. Slated for completion March 2025. Russell Fox moved and Monte Shaw seconded that we approve the plans. Motion carried unanimously.

135th, Central to 13th. James Wagner

135th will be a 3-lane roadway with center turn lane, a 10-foot path on the west side, and sidewalk on the east. Marcia Schroeder moved to approve. Russell Fox seconded. Motion carried.

RAISE Grant application letter

This grant will fund a \$3 million study for the Ridge and Kellogg interchange to set priorities for planning and design to better serve the airport area. There is currently no transit service at the airport and there are no safe options for bicycles. The City will pay 20% of the cost. Russell moved and Monte seconded that we approve the letter. Motion carried.

Operating Budget and CIP recommendations to City Council

We spent over an hour discussing the components of previous budget recommendations. We agreed on funding Vision Zero and Safe Routes to School. Other projects will be added by the March meeting.

4 Staff Reports and Updates

None

5 Old Business

None

6 New Business

None

7 Board Comments

None

8 Adjournment

With no objections, Alan Kailer adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM